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Hongkong, December 29, 1903. 2621

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The undersigned will receive notices of any Old Alexanders who have not yet been communicated with.

H. ARTHUR,
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Hongkong, December 29, 1903. 2623

NOTIFICATION.

CHINESE INDEMNITY OF 1901.

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H. M. BEVIS,
British Delegate.
Shanghai, January 4, 1904. 25

NOTICE.

THE Partnership between Mr VICTOR H. DEACON and myself having expired, I shall carry on my Business in future at No. 2, WYNDHAM STREET, (Old German Club premises).

JOHN HASTINGS.
Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 2

NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between myself and Mr JOHN HASTINGS having been dissolved by effluxion of time, my Business will in future be carried on under the firm name of DEACON, LOOKER and DEACON.

VICTOR H. DEACON,
10, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 78

NOTICE.

WE have authorized from this date Mr L. M. H. BOISSEREE to sign the Firm.

LUTGENS, EISENMANN & CO.,
Hongkong, January 1, 1904. 13

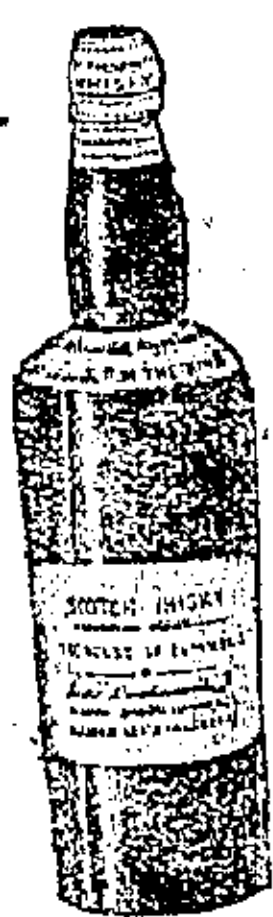
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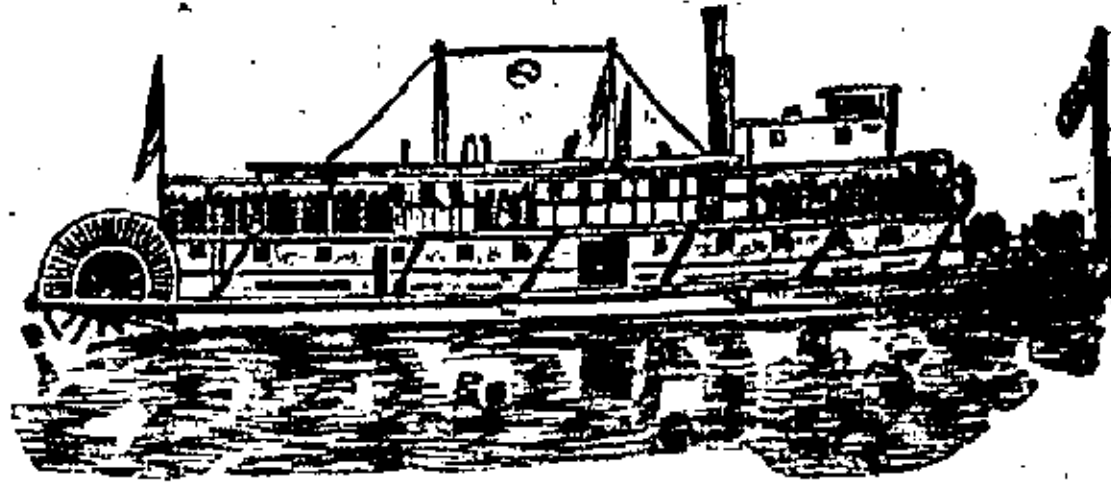
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THE RECENT INDICTMENT OF HONGKONG.

Some Facts About Mr. A. I. I. Ireland.

We take the following from *The Times of Ceylon*:—

It will be remembered that in September *The Times* published an article from the pen of Mr. A. I. Ireland, seriously reflecting upon the civil servants of Hongkong. A vigorous defence of his subordinates was undertaken by Sir Henry Blake, the then Governor, and his letter was reproduced in our columns. It may interest our readers, and particularly H.E., the Governor, to learn who Mr. A. I. Ireland is. The following facts were given to us by Mr. H. C. Pearson, our American visitor, who knows Mr. Ireland very well. Mr. Pearson first of all corrected a misapprehension. "Mr. Ireland," he explained, "was not put up by Chicago University to go and 'write up' your colonial administrations. He simply travelled under the name of that institution."

Mr. Ireland, it appears, is an Englishman born in Manchester in 1871—who migrated to America many years ago. He was a bright young man and a clever writer. Some articles that he wrote concerning the Boer attracted the notice of the late Lord Pauncefoot, the British ambassador at Washington. He was practically brought out by that distinguished diplomatist and wrote a number of articles on the question of colony labour, which points to the fact that he had been in the East before. He was also popular as a lecturer and could command his 100 dollars a night for that work. After a time he ingratiated himself with the Chicago University authorities and obtained permission to use their name for the work he intended to carry out in the East. Thus he was simply a man, said Mr. Pearson, who tried to make as much as he could get by writing up sensations. He had as his so-called manager, an American named Dr. Thorpe of Boston. This Dr. Thorpe came to Mr. Pearson one day and informed him that Mr. Ireland had obtained a concession of 25,000 acres of land in British North Borneo, which he wished to exploit, if he could secure the necessary capital, for its gatta percha. Mr. Pearson declined to have anything to do with the speculation, and suggested that Mr. Ireland might obtain what he wanted in England where the people knew something about it.

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1904.

Even at this eleventh hour the Machi-
avelian Muscovite endeavours to throw
dust in the eyes of Japan. Persistent
in proclaiming peaceful intentions
Russia moves her army and navy slowly
but surely eastward, and for some in-
comprehensible reason Japan seems to
be content to watch the coming of the
forces without question. What Russia
offers in the shape of mark-time notes
Japan accepts and considers honestly,
notwithstanding that they never bring
the matter nearer to a diplomatic settle-
ment, and while she is considering them
the Russian ships of war are throwing
the western miles behind them and her
army divisions are tramping along to-
wards the Manchurian borders. Japan
has not even yet learned to appreciate
the utter disregard of the Russian for
what is good, and honest, and just, and
it is apparent she will not do so until
the fatal hour can no longer be staved
off, and she finds a force pitted against
her that even in her wildest nights she
dreaded not. Russia has indicated
her intention of remaining in Manchuria
at all hazards, and yet we have the pit-
iful spectacle of Japan innocently stand-
ing by, deluded by specious reason-
ings, as the cablegram puts it,
while Russia clutches to her bosom every
available weapon with which to crush
her when she deems that the appointed
time has arrived. To the Note which
Japan sent to St. Petersburg nothing
but a categorical answer was wanted,
but we find instead another batch of
proposals which will, if Japan does not
take a firm stand and insist on a plain
'Yes' or 'No' delay matters so much
as to enable Russia to gain all the time
she wants to complete all her prepara-
tions for a battle to the death with her
sturdy little foe. War we do not want
if it can be avoided, but if it is to be
war in the long run, it is better to have
it out now and be done with it. By the
present strain every nation is suffering,
and none more than Great Britain, and
while it is not advisable that Japan
should rush into conflict with Russia,
relying upon the assistance of Great
Britain, it will be seriously detri-
mental to British prestige and
influence in the Far East if her ally is
badly crippled, as she undoubtedly will
be crippled, if defeated by Russia.
How far the powers will go in the event
of war remains to be seen, but if the
United States were to come in and say,
'We will stand by Great Britain and
Japan,' it is almost certain that Russia
—never caring one iota for her 'face'
—would creep out of the difficulty by
making satisfactory stipulations as to
her future conduct in the Chinese
Empire. It is encouraging and very
satisfactory to find that Germany is
desirous of standing absolutely clear,
but her remark that neither Manchuria
nor Korea interest her is significant of
the fact that she would not remain on
the fence if a conflict happened to spread
into any other part of China. The
attitude of France is not so certain, and
it cannot even be regarded as probable
that she will refrain from giving Russia
assistance, while it is quite evident that
the United States has no definite
policy in regard to Manchuria and will
not threaten Russia in spite of the
unkept pledges which she extracted
from her in 1900. The only danger is
that Great Britain will be dragged into
trouble on account of the nature of the
alliance between her and Japan. That
agreement, so far as the public know, is
that Great Britain is not to assist Japan
unless in the event of Russia receiving
assistance of another Power, and it is
not quite clear that Great Britain will
be able to avoid being drawn into a
conflict because of the importance of
her commercial interests in the north.**THE PHILIPPINES.**Says Governor Tait:—'Never in the
whole 300 years of the civilised history of
the Philippines have the islands been in a
more tranquil state than at the present.
There is no disturbance and very little dis-
content. Those who say to the contrary
either do not know what they are talking
about or do not want to know.' This, in
view of the continuing reports of
man-hunting expeditions in the Manila
newspapers.**Week of United and Universal Prayer.**The meetings in connection with the
Week of Prayer are being well attended.
Last evening the topic was 'Our own Land
and Possessions,' conducted by Mr. G. E.
Woodward and the Rev. C. H. Hickling.
This afternoon Captain Brown and the
Rev. J. H. France will lead the meeting in
the consideration of 'Missions to the
Heathen and Mohammedans,' while to-
morrow the subject will be 'Families,
Schools and Colleges,' with Dr. M. G. Gib-
son and Rev. W. J. Southern as leaders.
The meetings are held in the City Hall,
and begin at 6.15, lasting just one hour. A
heavy invitation is extended to all.**German Officers Bound for Tibet.**A Chongtu, capital of Szechuan, dis-
patch reports the arrival in that city last
month of three German officers, one being
a doctor, on their travels through south-
western China. The party after visiting
various places of interest in the city left for
Yuehoo on Dec. 28 en route, it is averred,
for Tibet, which the members of the party
intend to penetrate and, if possible, get
through into India and so on southwards to
Calcutta and thence by sea to Europe. It
is needless to state that while in Chongtu
the visitors were given a most friendly re-
ception by Viceroy Hsi Liang and his
subordinate officials.**Bicksha Fares in the New Territory.**For general information we publish
the following Regulation made by the Officer
Administering the Government in Council,
'under the authority of the Licensing Con-
solidation Ordinance, 1897, this 27th day
of November, 1903, for regulating the fares
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has been received from the Mines, dated 4th
instant, reading 'Weather very much against
us, December crushing 1160 tons (Kahm-
pong 900 and Swah 250), result 47 ounces,
estimated value \$2,000. Mill working again,
plenty of water.'**Wedding at Singapore.**A fashionable wedding took place at
Singapore on December 26, the contracting
parties being Capt. Oswald C. Dorsett, of
the King's Own Regiment, son of Major-
General Dorsett, C.B., and Miss Blanche
May Murray, second daughter of Hon.
Alexander Murray, Colonial Engineer and
Surveyor-General of the Straits Settle-
ments.**The Philippines.**Says Governor Tait:—'Never in the
whole 300 years of the civilised history of
the Philippines have the islands been in a
more tranquil state than at the present.
There is no disturbance and very little dis-
content. Those who say to the contrary
either do not know what they are talking
about or do not want to know.' This, in
view of the continuing reports of
man-hunting expeditions in the Manila
newspapers.**Week of United and Universal Prayer.**The meetings in connection with the
Week of Prayer are being well attended.
Last evening the topic was 'Our own Land
and Possessions,' conducted by Mr. G. E.
Woodward and the Rev. C. H. Hickling.
This afternoon Captain Brown and the
Rev. J. H. France will lead the meeting in
the consideration of 'Missions to the
Heathen and Mohammedans,' while to-
morrow the subject will be 'Families,
Schools and Colleges,' with Dr. M. G. Gib-
son and Rev. W. J. Southern as leaders.
The meetings are held in the City Hall,
and begin at 6.15, lasting just one hour. A
heavy invitation is extended to all.**German Officers Bound for Tibet.**A Chongtu, capital of Szechuan, dis-
patch reports the arrival in that city last
month of three German officers, one being
a doctor, on their travels through south-
western China. The party after visiting
various places of interest in the city left for
Yuehoo on Dec. 28 en route, it is averred,
for Tibet, which the members of the party
intend to penetrate and, if possible, get
through into India and so on southwards to
Calcutta and thence by sea to Europe. It
is needless to state that while in Chongtu
the visitors were given a most friendly re-
ception by Viceroy Hsi Liang and his
subordinate officials.**Bicksha Fares in the New Territory.**For general information we publish
the following Regulation made by the Officer
Administering the Government in Council,
'under the authority of the Licensing Con-
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was delivered in London on the 4th Jan.**At the last Lord Mayor's banquet**there were 250 waiters. Of these (says a
Globe correspondent) three only were Eng-
lish.**In our notice yesterday of the Christ-**mas Tree at the Central Police Station, we
omitted to mention the name of Mr P. P.
J. Wodehouse, who was not only a donor
but assisted in the entertainment of the
children during the entertainment.**Alice Memorial Hospital.**The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice
Memorial and Nethercole Hospitals begs
to acknowledge with thanks the following
donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—
Glasgow Guild \$80**New Police Station.**A new Police Station has been opened
at Samsaip, and Sergeant Gordon, former-
ly at Kowloon City, has been placed in
charge. His position at Kowloon City will
be filled by Acting Inspector Cameron.**A Smart Retort.**'Here, you leg trotter, said a dandy
to an Irish labourer, 'come and tell me
the biggest lies you ever told in your life
and I'll treat you to whisky-punch.' 'And
beggers, yer honour's a gentleman,' re-
torted Pat.**Discoveries about Radium.**Fresh and epoch-making discoveries
have been made with regard to the mys-
terious substance known as radium, which
has for the last two years been puzzling
men of science. Sir W. Ramsay made the
important announcement at the London
Institution that radium gives off heavy gas,
which slowly changes into helium and then
vanishes. Hitherto chemistry has been
based on the theory that the elements are
constant, and that one cannot change into
another. But now it is seen that radium of
its own accord and without external inter-
ference turns into a totally different ele-
ment.**To Cure Cattle Disease.**We understand (says the Bangkok
Times of the 26th December) that the Gov-
ernment has decided to send Dr H. Adam-
sen, Inspector-General of Hospitals, to the
Philippines to study the latest treatment of
the diseases of cattle, but more particularly
of rinderpest. It is intended to procure
the most modern and most scientific re-
medies and modes of treatment for this
disease which is causing so much distress
among Siamese agriculturists who depend
so much upon the buffalo for the cultivation
of their rice fields. Dr Adamsen will
start about the beginning of the new year,
and will be accompanied by Dr Att of the
Hospital Department. The American hospi-
tals in the Philippines will be visited
and enquiries made as to the advisability
of the Siamese Government establishing a
laboratory for the manufacture of vaccine
virus. The tour will occupy some two
months.**A Gallant Gunner.**A correspondent sends us a copy of the
Kirkcaldyshire Advertiser and Galloway
News of November 20, containing a long
report of a presentation ceremony in which
Sergeant-Major Roxburgh, Royal Garrison
Artillery, was the principal figure. Ser-
geant-Major Roxburgh has been appointed
Battery Sergeant-Major of the 89th Gun-
nery, R.G.A., and is coming to Hongkong.
He was entertained by a large party of
friends at Kirkpatrick-Durham prior to his
departure from home. Sergeant-Major Rox-
burgh had served uneventfully in Natal
from 1893 till the outbreak of the Boer
War in 1899. He was in the unfortunate
affair at Nicholson's Nek, but escaped cap-
ture and regained Ladysmith, where he
went through the vicissitudes of the long
siege. Twice he volunteered for hazardous
sorties, and he was one of the few who
survived the terrible ordeal. He was with
a party one night and destroyed the 'Long
Tom' which had added to the terrors of
life in the beleaguered city. In that sortie,
he also captured a Boer maxim, and brought
it in and handed it over to his captain.
For this service, he was awarded the
Distinguished Conduct Medal on the re-
commendation of Sir George White. Sub-
sequently, he rendered good service with
the heavy gun, and volunteered as a
mounted rifle man in Colonel Fortescue's
column. In addition to the D.C.M., Ser-
geant-Major Roxburgh wears the South African
medal, with clasps for Ladysmith, Laing's Nek,
Orange River Colony and Transvaal, and
the King's medal. In a letter read at the
gathering, Major P. de S. Burney, under
whose flag Sergeant-Major Roxburgh served,
stated:—'He has undoubtedly earned the
gratitude and respect of his officers and
comrades and fellow-countrymen.' The
inhabitants of his native village presented
him with a handsome gold chain and gold
medallion in token of their appreciation of
his achievements, and a gold brooch for
Mrs Roxburgh.**Bezon accepting the inevitable we should**'So you are going to get an automobile?'
'Yes,' answered the man who is always
thinking of his health; 'the doctor says I
must walk more.'**LOCAL AND GENERAL.****The Kwangsi Rebellion.**Recently, it transpires, Viceroy Tsen
was commanded by the Peking Government,
in reply to his application for leave, to con-
tinue to superintend the military campaign
in Kwangsi, consequently he intends to re-
turn to the Province, in spite of his illness.**Nurses' Institution Ball.**We have been asked to remind our
readers that a subscription dance will be
held in the City Hall on the 12th inst. in
aid of the funds of the Hongkong Nursing
Institution. Tickets at \$5 each may be ob-
tained at Messrs Lane, Crawford and Co.'s
or Messrs Brewsters and Co.'s.**Thieves Sent to Prison.**At the Magistrate's this morning Leung
Chan appeared before Mr T. Sercombe
Smith on a charge of stealing \$92, 1 pair
rubber shoes, and one flour bag, valued in
all at \$93.50, from Chan Shing, trader,
Bonham Strand. The complainant was on
board the s.s. *Tai Ning* when the robbery
took place. Three months' gaol, and six
hours' stocks was the sentence.—The Leung
for stealing \$30 from the Captain of the
steam launch *Li Shing* was sentenced to
one month's gaol and three hours' stocks.**Lotteries.**During the hearing of a case at the
Magistrate's to-day against four Chinese for
loitering in Queen's Road, near the Naval
Yard, it was adduced in evidence that the
four men had finished some work and were
waiting to be paid. The arrest of the men
was made by a Chinese constable in plain
clothes acting under instructions
from Inspector Collett. His Worship (Mr
T. Sercombe Smith) said he thought
the case would have been met if the
policeman had gone in his uniform and
ordered the men to move on. The
Inspector said that coolies habitually
loitered about the place, despite the fact
that notices printed in English and
Chinese were distributed about. When
a constable appeared they ran away, but
soon returned. Complaints had been
made by the Naval Authorities respecting
the matter, and the only remedy the
Inspector saw was to arrest the offenders.
No Ordinance provided for loitering in the
streets, so a notice was prepared by the
Capt. Superintendent of Police, which
received the consent of the Governor, and
was posted up in the street. Mr Smith
finally convicted the men and bound them
over in a personal bond of \$5 to come up
when called upon for sentence, remarking
that such cases only wasted the time of the
Court.**Fire in Queen's Road.**At 3.15 this morning a fire broke out
in a three-storied dwelling at 98, Queen's
Road Central, occupied by Chang Chung
Chung. The building and contents were
gutted before the fire was mastered. The
brigade, under Chief-Inspector Baker, was
quickly 'on the scene, but, as the fresh
water was turned off in the main, the
men were at a disadvantage. The engines
were brought out and by the time the fresh
water was turned on, the engines were
supplying a good stream from the sea.
When the big dam commenced operations
the fire was burning fiercely, and shortly
afterwards the roof collapsed, sending
myriads of sparks, and volumes of smoke
towards the sky. The soldiers were run up
and the water was played directly
on to the flames, through the top
of the house. Fortunately, the in-
mates of the upper portion of the house
were absent at the time of the fire, other-
wise fatal results may have followed the
fire. The whole building and stock were
destroyed before the fire was put out, but
the firemen were successful in confining
the conflagration to the one building.
The fire is supposed to have been started
by the cook employed on the premises
going to the first floor for some
meat with a lighted torch in his hand,
which he is supposed to have dropped
near some inflammable material. The
ground floor was used as a foreign goods
store and a jeweller's shop, while the first
and upper floors were used as dwelling
places. The damage is estimated at \$14,000,
\$15,000 of which is covered by insurance.
No accidents or fatalities have been reported
in connection with the blaze.**WEATHER REPORT.**The following notice is issued by the
Hongkong Observatory:—On the 6th at 11.55a. The barometer
has risen generally except over the S.
Philippines.The outcrops, which is central over
China, covers also W. Japan and the
Loocheos.Pressure is relatively low to the NE.
of Japan, and over the S. part of the China
Sea.Gradients continue moderate to rather
steep with very strong monsoon along the
China coast and over the China Sea.
Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds; fair.**Baby Cough must never linger**NOTHING is more distressing than to
see a helpless little infant suffering
with a cough and to be fearful of using a
remedy which may contain some harmful
ingredient. The makers of Chamberlain's
Cough Remedy positively guarantee that
the preparation does not contain opium in
any form, or any other harmful substance.
Mothers may confidently give this remedy
to their little ones. It gives prompt relief
and is perfectly safe. It always cures and
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medicine vendors;—WATKINS Ltd., General
Agents.**WARREN: 'Well, I suppose you are glad**to get out of jail.' Prisoner (term expired):
'Well, no, I didn't commit a big enough
crime to make me prominent.'**TELEGRAMS.**[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]
SUPPLIED BY REUTER, VIA DOWNEY.**RUSSIA'S REPLY TO JAPAN.****THE MUSCOVITE SHUFFLES.****Not a Simple Yes or No.**

LONDON, January 5.

It is officially announced in St.

Petersburg that Viceroy Alexieff has

received instructions from the Russian

Government regarding the answer to be

made to Japan's recent Note.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1904.

THE CHINA MAIL.

TELEGRAMS.

ENGLAND VERSUS AUSTRALIA.

THE SECOND TEST MATCH.

England Again Triumphant.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

MELBOURNE, January 5.

There was no improvement in the wicket today when the Englishmen went in to continue their second innings. Over night slight rain fell, and throughout the day it was slow, stopping play in the afternoon.

On Monday England had lost five wickets for 74 runs, Tyldesley being 40 not out. To day he added 22 to his score. The whole of the team was disposed of for 103.

R. E. Foster was ill and unable to play.

The Australians went in for their second innings on an unplayable wicket, and when five men were out for 86 runs the rain interrupted the match. On resuming an additional 35 runs were made for the loss of the other wickets. England thus winning by 185 runs. Following are the principal scores.

ENGLAND.

First Innings. Runs. wickets. avg.

SECOND INNINGS.

J. T. Tyldesley 62
W. Rhodes 9
A. E. Relf, not out 10
Other batsmen and Sundries 22

TOTAL.

103

AUSTRALIA.

First Innings. Runs. wickets. avg.

SECOND INNINGS.

C. Hill 20
V. Trumper 35
R. A. Duff 8
M. A. Noble, not out 31
J. J. Kelly 7
A. J. Hopkins 3
Other batsmen and Sundries 7

TOTAL.

111

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TAMMANY IN POWER.

New York, January 2.

George B. McClellan, who defeated the re-election of Seth Low, has been inaugurated Mayor of Greater New York. This begins another Tammany rule of the city under the guide of democracy.

THE CHICAGO DISASTER.

CHICAGO, January 2.

The Iroquois theatre disaster increases in horror as the search for dead and injured among the ruins progress.

To date the known casualties are as follows: Dead 574; fatally injured 43; slightly and seriously hurt 104, missing 314.

There is little doubt but that most of the missing persons have perished and their bodies are yet in the debris. Many of the bodies already taken out are burned and crushed beyond possible identification, while in other instances recognition is only had by means of articles of clothing, jewelry and other adornments of the person.

AMERICA AND ABYSSINIA.

WASHINGTON, January 2.

The State Department has received advice from United States Consul-General Robert P. Skinner to the effect that he has succeeded in negotiating a commercial treaty with King Menelik of Abyssinia.

Mr. Skinner also extended to King Menelik, on behalf of the Washington Government, an invitation to visit St. Louis during the exposition as a guest of the American nation, and the famous old ruler accepted it. The Abyssinians received Mr. Skinner and party enthusiastically.

NO USE FIGHTING.

WASHINGTON, January 2.

General Royce who has represented the Colombian Government here for some time acknowledges that hostilities on the part of his country against the United States, would be futile.

RUSSIA AND PEACE.

PARIS, January 2.

Russia has declined to consider the proposal made by the commission here looking to a peaceful settlement of the Russo-Japanese trouble in the Far East.

WAR IS THREATENED.

LONDON, January 2.

The Prime Minister of Japan has informed the Russian government that unless it immediately agrees to the spirit of Japan's proposals for the modification of the ultimatum issued from St. Petersburg, the Mikado will declare war.

LORD LANSDOWNE DESPAIRS.

LONDON, January 2.

When Lord Lansdowne was informed of the rejection of the Paris commission's proposals by the Russian government, he said he had now abandoned all hope for peace in the Far East.

RAILWAY WORK SUSPENDED.

Canton to Hankow Line Hung Up.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Orders have been received from the New York office of the Railway Co., directing that all work on the main line between here and Hankow be stopped.

It is presumed that this is on account of the probability of war between Russia and Japan. It is not surprising that this action has been taken. Every line of business is suffering on account of war talk.

The bridge connecting the French Consulate with the native city is being repaired. It would be a great improvement if those concerned would put up an attractive stone and brick structure instead of the present ugly affair.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before His Honour Mr. A. G. Wils, Judge.)

Wednesday, January 6.

NON-DELIVERY OF GOODS.

The San On Wing and Messrs. Shawan, Tones and Co. for \$316, being amount of damages suffered by the plaintiffs by reason of the non-delivery of three cases of underwear sold by the defendants to the plaintiffs. Particulars of the claim were as follows:—

To loss on three cases of underwear bought from defendants at \$17.50 per dozen, and sold at \$23 per dozen, \$165. To damages paid to the buyers by the plaintiffs on account of non-delivery, \$150; total \$315.

Mr. G. K. H. Branton appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. Evans (of Messrs. Harston and Evans) represented the defendants.

Evidence being led, His Honour gave judgment for plaintiffs with costs, and allowed a stay of execution for one week in view of a possible appeal.

THE FRENCH IN SOUTH CHINA.

New Hospital and Post Office at Canton.

Le Courrier d'Haiphong, in a recent issue, publishes a three-column letter from its Canton correspondent giving a description of the inaugural ceremonies connected with the opening of the Franco-Chinese Hospital and French Post Office at Canton on the 13th ult.

The opening ceremony at the Post Office was attended by all the French residents and a large number of the leading Chinese. Amongst these present were M. Hardouin, Chief of the Governor-General of Indo-China; M. Durol, French Vice-Consul at Canton, and M. Pécic, Postmaster.

Monsieur Hardouin performed the opening. In the course of his speech he stated that the memorial stone was laid in March 1902 by M. Paul Beau, then French Minister at Peking, who had referred to the part taken in the establishment of that Post Office by M. Paul Doumer, then Governor-General of Indo-China. As had been stated on the occasion of the laying of the foundation stone, the Government of Indo-China, in establishing this Post Office at Canton, were inspired only by a desire to facilitate the relations between the Chinese abroad and their own country.

He proceeded to deal with the expansion of business that had taken place during the last two and a half years, and said that the sale of postage stamps already reached the sum of \$3,300 per month. He complimented M. Pécic upon the courage, perseverance and zeal he had shown, qualities that were recognised not only by his official chiefs in Indo-China but by his compatriots and the general public in Canton. In recognition of this, he was authorised to intimate that a telegram had been received from M. Pécic to a higher grade. M. Hardouin then proposed the health of M. Doumer and of M. Pécic, and then proposed complimentary terms to the assistance given by the Chinese staff in the office.

Before the company separated the healths of M. Hardouin and M. Durol were also drunk.

The inauguration of the French Hospital was attended by Monsignor Morel, Bishop of Canton, and several missionaries; the officers of the garrison, the Brothers of the Pichon School, some Sisters and the whole of the French Colony from Canton. The Vice-consul, M. Durol, was represented by Kao Eri Kien (profess), and the Tartar General and a number of Mandarins were also present.

The ceremony took place in the large room of the second pavilion, which was magnificently decorated for the occasion. A bed was displayed in this room in order to show the Mandarins and their compatriots the manner in which patients were accommodated and treated. The correspondence, specially noticed, was that of the Colonel Yang, who were the cross of the Legion of Honour.

M. Hardouin, after some introductory remarks, referred to the late Viceroy Tso Tsung-tsun, who, the late Minister of the Treasury of the Republic of China, formerly Superintendent of the Imperial Customs, all of whom had assisted in the foundation of the Hospital. He also referred to the assistance which had been given by the Chinese in Canton and abroad, and stated that names of donors to the funds would be engraved on tablets, and displayed in the Hospital, so that their memory might be kept alive for future generations. The Hospital was not only intended to provide facilities for the study of particular diseases, especially those of an epidemic character. New methods would be applied, and by the generosity of one of their residents, M. Robert Lebaut, a bacteriological laboratory was to be established. The hospital's mission was to be to study the diseases of the Chinese, and to take advantage of it by all, without distinction of class, race or creed, and he bespoke for the institution the continued assistance of those present, in order that the hospital might be able to carry out its mission.

On behalf of the Viceroy, Kao Eri Kien read a short speech approving of the establishment of the Hospital, which had been created in the interest of public health, and expressed the hope that it would be successful in combating the serious epidemics, which every year caused severe ravages amongst the population of Canton. He expressed his thanks to the Governor-General of Indo-China, M. Durol, and to the Medical Officer in charge of the Hospital, Dr. Mas, and also thanked those of other nationalities who had contributed to the foundation of the Hospital. His speech was first delivered in Chinese, then translated into French, and was warmly applauded.

Two other Chinese delivered short speeches. M. Durol then made a speech, in the course of which he referred to the brilliant work that had been accomplished by M. Hardouin during the period he filled the post of Consul-General at Canton. His premature departure from Canton was deeply regretted by them all, but it was satisfactory to them to know that he had been able to assist them though absent from that city. No one was better qualified than M. Hardouin to open the doors of that establishment, which would be a new and powerful means of promoting friendship between France and China. Begun modestly, they hoped the Franco-Chinese Hospital would grow into a very important institution. M. Durol then stated that in addition to the \$240,000 lent by M. Doumer, the gift of France 25,000 from M. Robert Lebaut, they had received the following subscriptions:—

Canton Prefecture, ... \$ 46,000
Hanoi, ... 2,100
Saigon, China, and Cambodia, 11,000
Siam, ... 4,500
Peking, ... 5,000

He explained that other subscriptions had been received, but the list was not yet closed. The Hospital would be administered by a Council of ten members, five French and five Chinese, under the presidency of the French Consul, Canton. With such an organisation they had no doubt that the success which had already crowned their efforts would increase day by day, and the assurances of help which they had already received from Cantonese abroad showed that they maintained their love for their mother country, and their recognition of what was being done for the benefit of their people at home. He returned thanks to all the generous benefactors and donors; and after his speech had been translated to the Chinese, the proceedings terminated.

Mr. W. Danby, M.I.C.E., of Hongkong, designed the buildings and superintended their construction.

FIRE AT CANTON.

Butterfield and Swire's Property Burned.

A fire, which resulted in the destruction of Messrs Butterfield and Swire's match-sheds, occurred at Canton last night. The match-sheds are only temporary structures, and were built pending the completion of the wharfage works there. The sheds are used as dwelling houses for the men employed on the works, and also for the storage of goods and materials sent there for shipment elsewhere. The match-sheds are valued at about \$1,000, and the total damage is estimated at not more than \$2,000. As far as we know no lives have been lost, and no other property has been damaged.

WAR RUMOURS.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha Lines.

Notwithstanding the receipt in the Colony today of intelligence to the effect that Russia was striving to maintain peace in the north, there were many rumours that war was about to be declared. To give strength to them, the statement got abroad that the *Kinkai Maru*, at present in port, had received orders to discharge her cargo at once. On inquiry at the office of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, nothing could be gleaned. Whilst a denial was not given to the statement it was not affirmed, the officers declaring they were not in a position to say anything. We are informed, however, that passengers are being looked as usual by the Company's European line.

YACHTING.

The race for the Commodore's Cup will be sailed on Saturday, Jan. 16, at 1 p.m., over either of the two following courses. The selected course will be posted in the Club before 11.30 a.m. on the day of the race, and will be indicated at the starting point by a notice in 1 r/o letters, Course 1, or Course 2 as the case might be. Course 1—Rock 1 mile S.W. Cowichan (Port). Course 2—Mark boat in Quarry bay, Kowloon rocks, East rock buoy, Channel rocks all to port. No time limit. Handicap. Entries and starts are as follows:—*Vernon*, *Elphinstone*, *Dione*, 6 min.; *Alannah*, 10 min.; *Alannah*, 6 min.; one design, 10 min.; *Iris* and *Gloria*, 15 min.; *Chanticleer* and *Doreen*, 17 min.

The Middy's Cup, presented by H.E. Mr. F. H. May, was won by Mr. Tracy of H.M.S. *Orion*, on Friday last. There were thirty-seven entrants and the course was round the Channel Rocks, Kowloon Rocks, Meyer's East Buoy, Channel Rocks and home. The plights at the finish were:—

1. *Orion's* 42ft. launch, Mr. Tracy
2. *Cecilia's* 36ft. pinnace, Mr. McGilivray
3. *Vernon's* 42ft. launch, Mr. Flavell
4. *Chanticleer's* 34ft. cutter, Mr. Bell
5. *Vernon's* 34ft. cutter, Mr. Fleming.

The race for the Vice-Commodore's Cup, presented by Rear-Admiral C. J. Robinson, resulted in a win for Mr. A. B. Rouse's *Iris*. The handicaps were:—*Dione*, *Elphinstone*, *Aillean*, *Vernon*, scratch; *Alannah*, allowed 5 min.; *Min*, *Erica*, *Kathleen*, *Bonito*, *Colleen*, allowed 8 min.; *Iris*, *Gloria*, allowed 12 min.; *Chanticleer*, *Doreen*, allowed 14 min.; *Payne*, allowed 18 min.; *Mist*, allowed 25 min.

The *Dione* was first away and gained a good lead, which she held for a good spell. The passage of the *Dione* was blocked by a water boat, and the rear boats came along quickly, the *Iris* ultimately winning on her time allowance. The cup was presented to the winner by Rear-Admiral Robinson at the conclusion of the race, and mention was made of the fact that the *Dione* had twice finished first, but had lost the race on the handicap. A second prize was to be given her.

The Ill-Starred 'Prince George.'

The barkentine *Prince George* which is at present anchored in the bay, with her hold flooded with molten pitch, is to be sold to the Chinese government for transport purposes, says the *Manila Bulletin*. Of late the Chinese Empire has found itself badly in need of transports to convey troops to Canton and adjacent ports to reinforce the Imperial troops that are being closed, pressed by the rebels of Kwangsi province.

The *Prince George*, unless the present negotiations fail, will be entered in this service. So far the *Prince George* has had a most eventful career. She was first heard of here as drifting near Zamboanga, having been deserted by her crew. Subsequently she was towed into the harbor at Zamboanga by a customs cutter, the captain of which brought salvage proceedings against her. She was delayed in the harbor until the case was decided in favour of the plaintiff, and the defence had then appeal to the Supreme Court. The vessel was then released under bond, and having been remanded set sail for Manila. Off the coast of Borneo she ran on the rocks and was again deserted by her officers and men who gave her up as a hopeless wreck. Thoroughly disgusted with the ill-fated craft the owners sold her cargo and all, as she lay on the rocks, for an extremely small sum. The purchasers succeeded in towing her into Manila. At the present time she is lying inside the breakwater. The pitch which composed her cargo has melted and gradually run up until her bow is high in the air. It is said here that the pitch cannot be removed from the hold unless the vessel is towed north and the sticky stuff allowed to freeze, thus making it possible to chip it out. Evidently the Chinese government is of the opinion that the valuable cargo can be removed with less difficulty.

CANTON LEPPERS' FUND.

'China Mail's' Subscription List.

We would remind generous readers that we are prepared to receive, acknowledge, and despatch to Dr. Beattie, of Canton, any contributions forwarded towards a fund for the alleviation of the sufferings of the lepers at Canton.

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CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO. LD.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the seventh ordinary general meeting to be held at the office of the general managers, on Saturday, the 16th January, at 11 a.m.

Annexed we have the pleasure to lay before shareholders a statement of accounts made up to 31st December, 1903.

The gross earnings for the past year amount to \$118,538.10, and after deducting all expenses, remuneration to general managers, consulting committee's and auditors' fees, there remains a balance of \$9,171.38, which it is recommended be appropriated as follows, viz:—

To place to reserve fund ... \$ 8,000.00
To pay dividend of 8 per cent. ... 80,000.00
To carry forward to the credit of next year's account ... 1,171.38

Consulting Committee.—In accordance with the articles of association, Messrs J. S. Van Haren, Messrs Hing Koo, Chan Tung Shung, and J. H. Lewis retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs A. O'D. Gordin and W. H. Potts, who are recommended for re-election.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1904.

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Hongkong, January 6, 1904.

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Hongkong, January 6, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Arratoon* *Apar*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside the ship.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense. Cargo remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 8th January, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, January 6, 1904.

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SHANGHAI.	Malla, C. L. DANIEL.	About 16th January.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	Coromandel, G. M. MONTGOMERY.	Noon, 16th January.	See Special Advertisement.

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P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, January 6, 1904.

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S.S. *Amir*, Capt. DUCKSTEIN, 15th January, 1904. Freight.

FOR HAVRE, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

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S.S. *Hindenburg*, Capt. F. LINZER, 30th January, 1904. Freight & Passengers.

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CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.

S.S. *Schneid*, Capt. SCHNEIDER, 6th February, 1904. Freight.

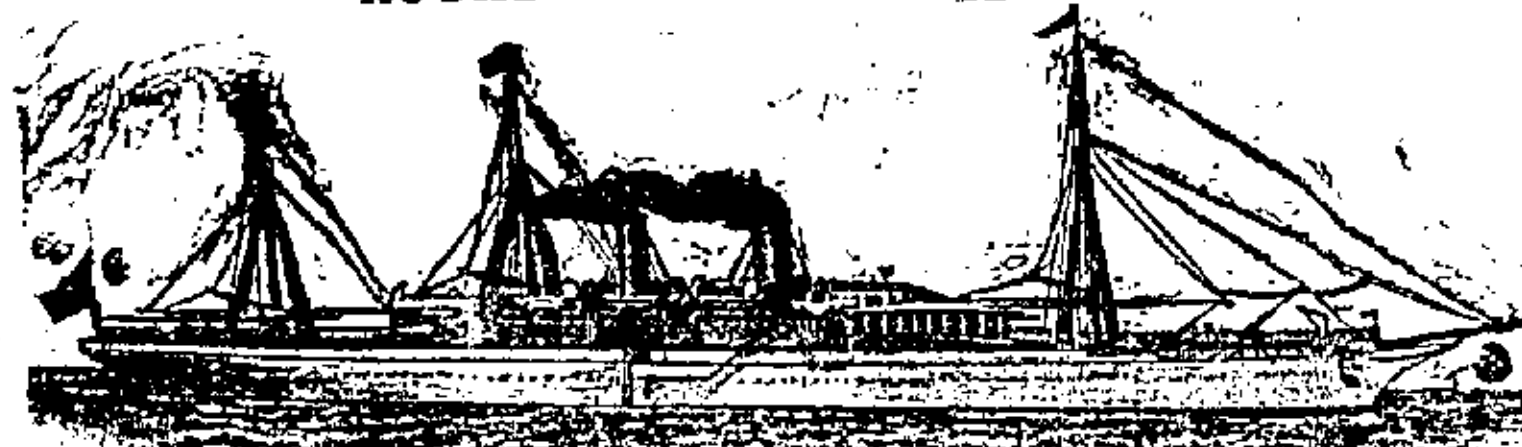
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R.M.S. <i>ATHLETIC</i>	8,000	WEDNESDAY, Jan. 27.	
R.M.S. <i>EMPEROR OF INDIA</i>	8,000	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10.	
R.M.S. <i>TARTAN</i>	8,000	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 24.	
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Steamers	Destinations	Sailing Dates
RIJUN MARU, F. L. PINE.	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A. Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 12th Jan. at 4 p.m.
KAMAKURA MARU, H. PETERSON.	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	FRIDAY, 15th Jan. Daylight.
BOMBAY MARU, T. MURRAY.	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	THURSDAY, 21st Jan. at Noon.
NIKKO MARU, E. W. HAWELL.	SYDNEY, MELBOURNE and ADELAIDE, Via MANILA, THURSDAY (ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BEIRUT).	FRIDAY, 22nd Jan. at 4 p.m.
SANUKI MARU, W. TOWNSEND.	MASSILLON, LONDON and ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 23rd Jan. at Daylight.
KAGOSHIMA MARU, K. KOU.	BOMBAY, Via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	TUESDAY, 26th Jan. at Noon.
KINSHU MARU, T. L. HARRISON.	BOMBAY, Via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	

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FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
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GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	KINTUCK	14th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	PINGREY	22nd January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	MOVINE	28th January.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	GLAVEN	3rd February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DARDANUS	9th January.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	YANGTZE	15th January.
LIVERPOOL, with TRANSHIPMENT	YANGTZE	15th January.
at SINGAPORE	YANGTZE	15th January.
LONDON & ANTWERP	NESTOR	2nd February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	KEMUN	10th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	KINTUCK	16th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MOVINE	1st March.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	Whamoa	7th January.
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	SHAORING	9th January.
MANILA	Taiwan	23rd January.
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RAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Feb.
GERA	WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb.
SEIDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Mar.
ROON	WEDNESDAY, 16th Mar.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 13th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.

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Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVING
FOOCHOW, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	ANFENG MARU, I. Goto.	SUNDAY, 10th January.
TAMSHUI, Via SWATOW, AND AMOY.	DAIJIN MARU, T. Goto.	TUESDAY, 12th January.
ANFENG, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	MAIDZURU MARU, T. Sato.	FRIDAY, 15th January.
TAMSHUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	DAIJI MARU, T. W. Goto.	SUNDAY, 17th January.

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T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, January 6, 1904.



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THE Company's well-known Steamship ROSETTA MARU, 3880 Tons, Captain H. S. SMITH, will be despatched for MANILA on SATURDAY, the 9th January, at 11 a.m.

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K. MATSUDA, Agent, Manager.

Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

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THE Steamship STOLBERG, Captain DENAR, will be despatched for the above ports on SATURDAY, the 9th January, at Noon.

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Hongkong, January 2, 1904.

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Hongkong, December 24, 1903.

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STEAM TO FIUME AND TRIESTE Direct, Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, RANCOON, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ, and PORT LONDON; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with TRANSHIPMENT.

Taking cargo at through rates to the BRITISH, SOUTH AFRICA, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to D. SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

STEAM FOR SHANGHAI.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER WIELER & Co., Agents, Prince's Buildings.

Hongkong, December 20, 1903.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

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Hongkong, January 2, 1904.

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FOR AMOY, SWATOW, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship PURNEA, Captain PARNAM, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 9th inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 4, 1904.

* GLEN LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship GLENFARG, Captain HOLMAN, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 9th January, 1904.

For Freight, apply to MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW, Hongkong, December 17, 1903.

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THE Russian Steamer HERMAN LERCHE, to be despatched on or about MONDAY, the 11th January.

For Freight, apply to BRADLEY & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 5, 1904.

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Hongkong, January 3, 1904.

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AFRIDI..... Feb. 9.

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Hongkong, January 4, 1903.

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